

REMARKS

This Response is to the Restriction Requirement mailed on November 29, 2006.

Applicants elect Group I, drawn to a filter comprising a perfluorinated sulfonic acid polymer and at least one catalyst, including at least claims 1-16, 18, 19 and 24-29. Additionally, Applicants elect the following species:

- A. The filter is located in the fuel supply.
- B. The medium is shredded.
- C. The catalyst is platinum.

This election is without traverse.

The examiner has designated claims 1, 7 and 14 as generic to all of the claims vis-à-vis the species election. Applicants also believe that claims 24 and 26 are also generic. As such, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to have the claims readable on the non-elected species considered in this application should any of the generic claims be allowed.

In light of the preceding, Applicants believe that the presently pending elected claims are in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be greatly appreciated. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney of record if he believes that such a call would materially advance the prosecution and eventual allowance of the present application.

A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the requisite one-month extension fee of \$120 is enclosed herewith. Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with the submission of this Response. If any additional fee is due, the Commissioner may charge appropriate fees to H.T. Than Law Group, Deposit Account No. 50-1980.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments: Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)